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SUBJ: SECURITY RECOMMENDATIONS TEMPORARY AMB RESIDENCE CAIRO

1. DURING VISIT LAST WEEK TO EGYPT, RSO INSPECTED TEMP
AMB RESIDENCE IN CAIRO (ZAMALEK). RSO BELIEVES
THAT RESIDENCE VIRTUALLY IMPOSSIBLE TO SECURE BECAUSE OF LACK
OF ANY MEANINGFUL PERIMETER BARRIER, NUMEROUS ENTRANCE/EXIT
POINTS IN THE BUILDING, BASIC DESIGN OF HOUSE AND SURROUNDING
BUILDINGS WHICH LOOK DOWN ON RESIDENCE. RSO SUGGESTS THAT
POST CONSIDER OBTAINING MORE SECURE RESIDENCE FOR AMB.

2. RECOMMEND FOL BE ACCOMPLISHED ON ZAMALEK RESIDENCE
IN INTERIM: A) AMB'S BEDROOM AREA SHOULD BE REINFORCED
SO THAT HE HAS AT LEAST ONE AREA OF RESIDENCE WHERE HE CAN
HAVE SOME SECURITY. IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO SECURE DOWNSTAIRS
OR ENTIRE SECOND FLOOR
OF RESIDENCE. REINFORCEMENT OF THIS
AREA CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED BY REPLACING THREE ACCESS DOORS
TO AMB'S BEDROOM WITH SOLID DOORS POSSIBLY EQUIPPED
WITH ONE-EIGHTH INCH METAL SHEETING ON INSIDE. DEADBOLTS
SHOULD BE INSTALLED ON INSIDE OF EACH DOOR. B) SUGGEST,
IF FEASIBLE, POST REQ GOE PROVIDE ONE ADDITIONAL GUARD
24 HOURS A DAY AT AMB'S RESIDENCE TO MAN FIXED POST
DURING DAYTIME AT ENTRANCE OF CIRCULAR DRIVEWAY AND TO ALLOW
FOR ROVING PATROL OF PERIMETER DURING NIGHT TIME; PRESENTLY
GOE PROVIDES ONE GUARD AT RESIDENCE 24 HOURS DAILY WHO MAINTAINS
FIXED POST AT EXIT POINT OF CIRCULAR DRIVEWAY.

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